

EUROPEAN PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE



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GERMANY

MEASLES. As of 25 JAN, the Robert Koch Institute reported 2,467 (2 new cases during Week 53) cases of measles during the 2015-2016 Week 1—Week 53 time period. In the Week 1—Week 52 period of the year 2014, 442 cases were reported. The newly reported cases were located in Niedersachsen (1), Schleswig-Holstein (1). https://www.rki.de/DE/Content/Infekt/EpidBull/Archiv/2016/Ausgaben/03_16.pdf?__blob=publicationFile

• MRSA. 19 JAN, the Horst Schmidt Kliniken in Wiesbaden provided an update to their Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus (MRSA) occurrence reported on 17 JAN. The infection was found in 9 infants in the neonatal ward, however, none of the infants show disease symptoms. All infected infants are stable and the source of the infection has not been identified. The clinic has commissioned an external audit and a cleaning and hygiene specialist consultant to improve their cleaning system. The TRICARE International SOS office is recommending that all TRICARE beneficiaries who are referred to, or seeking care at the Horst Schmidt Kliniken use other TRICARE network options for care on the local economy until further notice.

Military Press Release:

http://www.army.mil/article/161062/

www.facebook.com/RHCEurope/

https://www.facebook.com/wiesbadenAHC/

German Clinic Press Release:

http://www.helios-kliniken.de/klinik/wiesbaden-hsk/aktuelles/keimbesiedelung-auf-fruehgeborenen-station-klinik-leitet-vorsichtsmassnahmen-ein.html

http://www.helios-kliniken.de/klinik/wiesbaden-hsk/aktuelles/update-keimbesiedelung-auf-fruehgeborenen-station-klinik-leitet-vorsichtsmassnahmen-ein-kopie-1.html

http://www.helios-kliniken.de/klinik/wiesbaden-hsk/aktuelles/update-helios-hsk-wiesbaden-kuendigen-externe-pruefungen-und-weitere-sanierung-der-sanitaerbereiche-an.html

• **FOOD RECALL.** 21 JAN 2016. The following food product has been recalled due to detection of glass contamination in the product:

Name: Carpi Riso's Riso Carnaroli 1kg

Manufacturer: Riseria Modenese (Based in Italy)

Product Code: 80221 Best Before Date: 02/10/17 Lot Number: 105 012

http://www.foodqualitynews.com/Food-Outbreaks/General-Mills-Sainsbury-s-and-Auchan-in-recalls/(page)/8

ENGLAND

 FOOD RECALL. 21 JAN 2016. The following food products have been recalled due to metal contamination in the products:

Name: Sainsbury's Wholemeal Bread Medium Sliced and Thick Sliced 800g

Manufacturer: Allied Bakeries Best Before Date: 19 JAN 2016

http://www.foodqualitynews.com/Food-Outbreaks/Good-Earth-Egg-Company-Mondelez-and-Fromagerie-Beillevaire-

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FRANCE

FOOD RECALL. 21 JAN 2016. The following food products have been recalled due to possible foreign body contamination in the butter products:

Name/Barcode:

Beurre Moulé Doux 500g—Auchan / 3596710425051 Beurre Moulé Doux 250g—Auchan / 3596710425037 Beurre Moulé Demi-sel 500g-Auchan / 3596710425068 Beurre Moulé Demi-sel 250g—Auchan / 3596710425044

Dated Between: 28/02/16 - 20/03/16

Note: The RASFF portal identified the 'foreign body' as fragments of an electric cable in the product which came from Belgium and were distributed to France.

http://www.foodqualitynews.com/Food-Outbreaks/General-Mills-Sainsbury-s-and-Auchan-in-recalls/(page)/9

ICELAND

FOOD RECALL. 21 JAN 2016. The following food product has been recalled due to labeling error on the product: * Bourbon

RIBS

Name: Jim Beam Bourbon Ribs 450g

IIM BEAN Best Before Date: 25/03/17 Note: Iceland Foods has recalled the product due to incorrect storage information, some packs of this frozen product were incorrectly labeled 'chilled product, keep refrigerated'. Do not consume, return it to one of its stores.

http://www.foodqualitynews.com/Food-Outbreaks/General-Mills-Sainsbury-s-and-Auchan-in-recalls/(page)/2

DENMARK

FOOD RECALL. 21 JAN 2016. The following food product has been recalled due to detection of Salmonella in the product:

Name: Melon (in different mixtures of sliced fruit with various net weights)

Manufacturer: Flensted Snitgrønt

Production Dates: 13/01/16 and 14/01/16

Sold To: AB Catering København, AB Catering Slagelse, AB Catering Holstebro, AB Catering Aalborg, AB Catering Arhus, AB Catering Ribe, BC Catering Grossisten Odense SØ, BC Catering Kolding, BC Catering Roskilde, BC Catering Herning,

Gate Gourmet ApS, Dragør Hørkram Foodservice, Sorø Hørkram Foodservice Kolt and Prima Frugt, Grev.

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• **ZIKA.** 19 JAN, the US CDC MMWR published Interim Guidelines for Pregnant Women During a Zika Virus Outbreak. The early released guidelines cover recommendations for pregnant women on monitoring their health, mosquito bite prevention, and travel to areas with ongoing Zika virus transmission, and it gives healthcare providers recommendations for handling pregnant patients, including, capturing travel history, monitoring, testing, and treatment. The ECDC stated that no autochthonous cases of Zika virus infection were reported in EU/EEA Member States this week. JAN 15-24, travel-associated cases have been reported in Europe, Italy (4), United Kingdom (3), Spain (2), Portugal (4), Netherlands (10). Onward transmission from imported cases within the EU is possible, however, the winter season climatic conditions are not suitable for *Aedes albopictus* mosquito activity and the European populations of *Aedes albopictus* mosquito have not been assessed for the capability of transmitting the Zika virus.

http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/65/wr/pdfs/mm6502e1er.pdf

http://ecdc.europa.eu/en/publications/Publications/communicable-disease-threats-report-23-jan-2016.pdf

http://promedmail.org/direct.php?id=20160124.3962585

http://www.healthmap.org/ai.php?3962562&trto=en&trfr=zh&pid104

http://ecdc.europa.eu/en/publications/Publications/rapid-risk-assessment-zika-virus-first-update-jan-2016.pdf

REFUGEE RELATED HEALTH EVENTS

• UNHCR has recorded more than 944,000 refugees arriving in Europe in 2015. Among the refugees, reported cases of louse-borne relapsing fever, cutaneous diphtheria, malaria, scabies, measles, shigellosis, and tuberculosis have been made, these pose a potential threat, particularly, to the refugees and hosting facilities' workers. While the risk of mosquito-borne diseases has been reduced as a result of winter, the risk of respiratory and gastrointestinal infections whose spread is facilitated by overcrowding and lower temperatures has increased. No significant outbreaks involving refugees were reported during the past week.

http://ecdc.europa.eu/en/publications/Publications/communicable-disease-threats-report-23-jan-2016.pdf

GLOBAL PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATES

- AFHSB H7N9 Surveillance Summary 20 JAN 2016 (Approved for public release)
 https://www.afhsc.mil/Store/Document/DIBSurveillanceSummary/AFHSB%20H7N9%20Surveillance%20Summary%2020%20JAN%202016%20Unclassified.pdf
- AFHSB Zika in the Americas Summary 19 JAN 2016 (Approved for public release)

 https://www.afhsc.mil/Store/Document/DIBSurveillanceSummary/AFHSB%20Zika%20in%20the%20Americas%
 20Surveillance%20Summary%2019%20JAN%202016%20Unclassified.pdf
- AFHSB West Africa Ebola Surveillance Summary 14 JAN 2016 (Approved for public release)

 https://www.afhsc.mil/Store/Document/DIBSurveillanceSummary/AFHSB%20West%20Africa%20Ebola%
 20Surveillance%20Summary%2014%20JAN%202016%20Unclassified.pdf
- AFHSB MERS-CoV Surveillance Summary 13 JAN 2016 (Approved for public release) https://www.afhsc.mil/Store/Document/DIBSurveillanceSummary/AFHSB%20MERS-CoV%20Surveillance% 20Summary%2013%20JAN%202016%20Unclassified.pdf
- AFHSB Chikungunya in the Americas Surveillance Summary 21 DEC 2015 (Approved for public release) https://www.afhsc.mil/Store/Document/DIBSurveillanceSummary/AFHSB%20Caribbean%20Chikungunya%20Surveillance%20Summary%2021%20DEC%202015%20Unclassified.pdf

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